TOWN OF ABINGDON PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 5, 2010 - 12:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Abingdon Planning Commission was held Friday, March 5, 2010, at 12:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, downstairs meeting room.

Mr. Matthew T. Bundy, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Sean Taylor called the roll.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Matthew T. Bundy, Chairman

Dr. H. Ramsey White, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Mr. Gregory W. Kelly Mr. Kenneth Shuman Mr. Gary Kimbrell

Comprising a quorum of the Commission

Members Absent: Mrs. Cathy Lowe

Ms. Francine Ivery

Administrative Staff: Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning/Zoning (Absent)

Mr. Sean Taylor, Assistant Director of Planning/Zoning

Mrs. Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney

Mr. Jim C. Smith, Director of Wastewater Operations/Town Engineer

Visitors: Mr. Tony Stepp

Mr. Ricky Bare Mr. Elmer Bare

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(2) CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - Bare Brothers Market, Jerry's Signs, Inc., Representative, 988 East Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of one (1) digital electronic message center to be located at 988 East Main Street. Tax Map No. 106 (4) 4. (Application denied at February 22, 2010 meeting).

This application, requesting approval of one (1) digital electronic message center to be located at 988 East Main Street, was discussed at the January 25, 2010 meeting but was tabled due to clarification of ownership of the sign, whether it belonged to Citgo or Wendy's.

The Certificate of Appropriateness for this sign request was, once again, discussed at the February 22, 2010 meeting and denied at that time, due to Bare Brothers not willing to allow Wendy's to share the message board with Citgo unless Wendy's agreed to provide financial help with the message board. At that time it was denied, with the stipulation that if both parties could come to a compromise the Planning Commission would hold a called session to reconsider the request.

Mr. Kelly explained that he and Mr. Garrett Jackson met with Mr. Bare and his son, Ricky Bare, as well as the owner of Wendy's, and all parties have come to an agreement to share the digital sign and do away with message board previously approved by Wendy's. The new proposed sign, as presented at this meeting, will only be a digital sign. Mr. Taylor stated that Mr. Bare will be given a copy of the illumination ordinance to follow.

After discussion, Mr. Kimbrell made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness request for the proposed digital sign, as presented. Mr. Shuman seconded the motion.

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Mr. Kimbress Aye Mr. Shuman Aye Dr. White Aye

Mr. Kelly Aye

Mr. Bundy Aye

The motion passed.

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There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved that the meeting be adjourned.

Matthew T. Bundy, Chairman

Gregory W. Kelly, Secretary